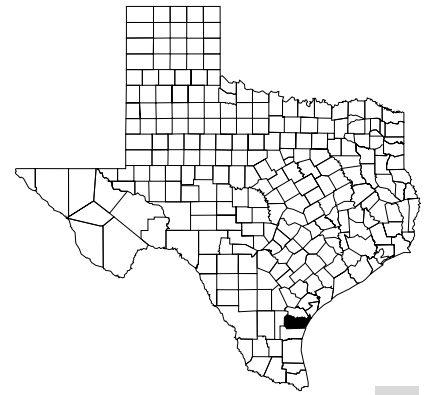




Selected Facts for **Nueces County - 1996**



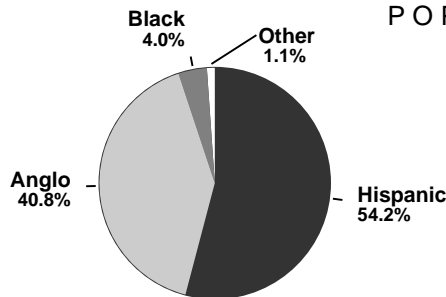
Demography

Estimated Population: 310,561

Population Per Square Mile: 371.5

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 11

Area in Square Miles: 836



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	12,724	13,309	26,033	8.4 %
5 - 14	24,431	25,744	50,175	16.2 %
15 - 44	71,151	71,027	142,178	45.8 %
45 - 64	30,407	27,972	58,379	18.8 %
Over 64	19,867	13,929	33,796	10.9 %
Total	158,580	151,981	310,561	100.0 %

County	51.1 %	48.9 %
State	50.5 %	49.5 %

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	8.4 %	5.6 %
Average Monthly Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Recipients	16,817	690,021
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	57,408	2,467,550
Total Medicaid Expenditures ¹	\$ 172,216,035	\$ 6,816,403,601

Medicaid (Title XIX)

	County	State
Unduplicated Count of:		
Medicaid Eligibles ²	60,636	2,874,212
Medicaid Recipients ²	55,652	2,572,654
Medicaid Clients Served:		
Physicians Services	47,049	2,070,400
Inpatient Hospital Services	11,237	493,766
Outpatient Hospital Services	29,261	1,168,842
Prescribed Medications	45,841	2,060,777
Family Planning Services	6,154	215,733
THSteps (EPSDT) Checkups	18,541	1,040,934

Nativity

	Number ³	PERCENT	
		County	State
Total Live Births	5,134		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	476	9.3 %	6.8 %
Unmarried Mothers	2,064	40.2 %	30.4 %
Low Birth Weight ³	378	7.4 %	7.2 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ³	1,026	20.0 %	21.4 %
Fertility Rate ³	County: 72.2	State: 74.8	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Number	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Tuberculosis	47	15.1	11.0
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	0	---	4.4
Gonorrhea	367	118.2	120.9
Chlamydia	1,070	344.5	224.8
AIDS	66	21.3	25.5
Measles	0	---	0.3

Mortality

	Deaths ³	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Deaths From All Causes	2,387	530.7	519.5
Cardiovascular Disease	948	193.3	186.5
Heart Disease	715	148.6	145.0
Stroke	173	32.5	30.8
All Cancer	544	126.8	128.2
Lung Cancer	165	38.0	38.8
Female Breast Cancer	42	18.8	18.9
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	90	16.6	22.2
Diabetes	113	25.1	17.6

	Deaths ³	RATE ⁴	
		County	State
Infant Deaths	28	5.5	6.3
Fetal Deaths ³	42	8.2	5.9
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	85	24.6	34.5
Motor Vehicle Injury	50	15.8	20.3
Work-related Injury	7	---	2.4
Homicide	23	7.7	8.4
Suicide	33	10.8	11.2

¹ Excluding Disproportionate Share Hospital payments.

² A county with more recipients than eligibles reflects claims paid for services rendered to a recipient in a prior fiscal year.

³ All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth. Late prenatal care refers to mothers who did not receive prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy. Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth.

⁴ Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44. Infant death rates and fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births. Work-related injury death rates are per 100,000 population. The remaining death rates have been age-adjusted to the 1940 U.S. standard population per 100,000 population. Communicable disease rates are also per 100,000 population. Rates and percents have not been calculated if 20 or fewer births, deaths or cases occurred, as indicated by "----".